comprising:

a database for storing <u>a plurality of</u> reference pronunciation data <u>corresponding to a plurality of pronunciation fluency levels, for the same language</u>;

<u>a user operative member for selecting one of said plurality of pronunciation fluency levels</u>;

reference voice playback means for outputting a reference voice based on said reference pronunciation data <u>corresponding to the selected pronunciation fluency level</u>;

similarity determination means for comparing a user pronunciation data input in correspondence to said reference voice and said reference pronunciation data <u>corresponding to the selected pronunciation fluency level</u>; and

means for informing a user of a result of determination made by said similarity determination means.

2. (canceled in this Amendment)

3. (currently amended) The pronunciation judgment system according to claim [2] 1, wherein said reference voice playback means [includes a user operative member for selecting a level, and] outputs the reference voice based on said reference pronunciation data corresponding to the selected pronunciation fluency level [a selected level reference voice], until same similarity determination means detects agreement of both data.

4. (currently amended) The pronunciation judgment system according to claim 1, wherein said database stores reference pronunciation data of a plurality of pronunciation fluency levels for each of a number of sentences, and said reference voice playback means includes a user operative member for selecting a sentence and a pronunciation fluency level and outputs the reference voice based on said reference pronunciation data corresponding to the selected pronunciation fluency level [a selected level reference voice of a selected sentence], until said similarity

determination means detects agreement of both data.

5. (original) The pronunciation judgment system according to claim 1, further comprising means for displaying a sentence corresponding to the reference pronunciation data.

6. (original) The pronunciation judgment system according to claim 1, wherein said informing means informs of the agreement of both data.

7. (currently amended) A computer readable recording medium for storing a program for causing a computer to execute the steps of:

reading out reference voice data from a database [consisting of] storing a plurality of reference pronunciation data corresponding to a plurality of pronunciation fluency levels, for the same language;

selecting one of said plurality of pronunciation fluency levels by a user;

playing back a reference voice [based on the read out] for outputting said reference pronunciation [voice] data corresponding to the

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selected pronunciation fluency level;

determining a similarity by comparing user pronunciation data

input in correspondence to said reference voice and said reference voice

data corresponding to the selected pronunciation fluency level; and

informing a user of a result of determination made by said

similarity determination [means].

8. (canceled in this Amendment)

9. (currently amended) The recording medium according to claim 7,

wherein said reference voice playback step outputs a user selected level

reference voice based on said reference pronunciation data corresponding

to the selected pronunciation fluency level, until said similarity

determination step detects agreement of both data.

10. (currently amended) The recording medium according to claim 7,

wherein said database stores reference pronunciation data of a plurality of

[all] pronunciation fluency levels [level] for each of a number of sentences,